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The Honorable Julius Genachowski
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

Hardly a day goes by that those of us in rural America aren't reminded of how our communities are dying on the vine. We're born here, we're raised here and we would love nothing more than to stay here. But more and more of my friends and neighbors here in Odenville, Alabama have to leave our desired locales in order to find not just a better job, but simply a decent job. With the exceptions of strong values, character and work ethic, it seems we have less and less of almost everything that larger, metropolitan areas have. I sincerely believe that technology could be the great equalizer for rural America.

That's why I've written to you previously and am re-contacting you today to support LightSquared, this time for its recent application for license modification. I applaud the Commission's efforts to protect GPS, and I appreciate the role that GPS plays in the lives of so many of our farmers and pilots who use high-precision devices. I previously urged the Commission to find alternative, equivalent spectrum that will enable the company to bring its benefits to consumers across the country quickly. And I have to tell you that I'm really impressed with LightSquared's latest creative solution to vacate the very spectrum that presented interference issues with GPS receivers.

To me, this seems like a no-brainer and a great deal for not just rural America but also for the rest of the country. And it appears to dovetail nicely with the sharing ideology that several of the Commissioners have advocated as of late. Please do not dillydally with this, and move forward with allowing LightSquared to share spectrum with the federal government as it has proposed. It's way past time that our rural citizens have access to the kind of broadband technology that our city-slicker friends have, and I'm confident that LightSquared can be the game-changer we so desperately need.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

/s/

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